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SEE AGENTS

SOUTHERN PACIFIC

DRILLING FOR OIL IN PLAYAS
Briggs Brothers and Company are drilling for oil in the Playas Valley in southern Grant County. The well is located in what is known as Playas Lake, and is down 350 feet at the present time. Reports from the field are to the effect that no encouraging showings have yet been made and that the rig has developed a large quantity of water which is at times unmanageable. The outfit is protected by high embankments built at the lake. Two shifts are engaged in the drilling and every effort is being made to get the well down to a good depth. The operators seem to be in earnest and are going after their aim to prove the existence of oil.

WILL CONTINUE THE WORK AT LEE'S PEAK
Telegraphic advice was received here Tuesday by Howard Boyd from his brother, Attorney Lawrence Boyd of Lynchburg, Va., that funds for the continuation of development work at the Lee's Peak mine of the Monte Rico Mining Company were available and to begin expedient tunnel driving Monday. The company was offered a proposition of option on the mine, but the option was refused and the Monte Rico Company will soon have their tunnel through the main dyke where the ore occurrences are believed to be.

As soon as lumber arrives William Davis will begin the shaft on his property at Lee's Peak. The hoist and all equipment is in readiness for the prosecuting of deep shaft sinking.

Trouble at Twin Peaks.

Deputy Sheriff Oscar Allen and Robt. McCart, went to the Twin Peaks camp in Grant county, a few miles from the Arizona state line, Wednesday. They were called there owing to brewing trouble among the employees at the camp. Whether the trouble was in the nature of a strike has not been learned.

An ore loading platform is being built at Shakespeare by Jack Heather. It will be put in use Saturday by the 85 Mining Company when the first train will haul ore over the new spur. Later the platform will be used by small shippers from the district.

LORDSBURG IS ONLY TOWN IN NEW MEXICO

C. W. Peters and Charles Popp of Houston, Texas, are to walk from that city to the Panama-Pacific Exposition. They have sent out advance matter telling of their proposed trip and in their circular letter mention the towns in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona through which they will pass. The only town in New Mexico that is mentioned is Lordsburg. Deming and other places are not on the map of these famous cross country walkers. Lordsburg is bringing itself to the attention of everyone.

DEATH OF MRS. JOHN CLAY

Tuesday morning at 1 o'clock occurred the death in this city of Mrs. John Clay of Duncan, Ariz. The cause of her death was blood poisoning. With her at the end were her children, husband, brothers and mother. Death had been hovering over Mrs. Clay for the week past and she was brought to Dr. DeMoss' hospital here, where she received every possible medical aid.

Deceased was aged 29 years and was born in Phoenix, Ariz., later coming to Duncan with her parents. Twenty years ago she was united in marriage to John Clay. To the union was born seven children, the oldest now 16 years of age and the youngest, 18 months. Beside her husband and children Mrs. Clay is survived by two brothers, Joe and Jack McAllister, one sister and a mother who has taken care of the children.

Funeral services were held in Lordsburg Tuesday afternoon, Rev. J. A. Land officiating, and interment made in the local cemetery.

The deepest sympathy of the people of Lordsburg is extended to the family in their sad loss of a loving wife and mother.

HOW WILL IT END?

The amusement question is one of paramount importance in the life of the average Lordsburgian. The high class plays of the East cannot be presented here, but Manager D. W. Briel of the Star theater has contracted for the best film productions turned out by the World Film Corporation and is presenting them every Friday and Sunday night. The amusement question should not be hard to solve with such productions as "The Dollar Mark" being shown. This five reel feature will hold the screen tonight (Friday). Saturday night there will be a special drama and a roaring comedy, and Sunday night a feature direct from a Los Angeles run. Announcement will be made Saturday. If the movie lovers of Lordsburg want to see a thriller that keeps one guessing "How will it end?" they should not miss the "Dollar Mark" tonight.

The Liberal is in receipt of communications every day addressed to the Lordsburg Chamber of Commerce and United States Commissioner. Every letter is answered and filed. Any one desiring to follow up any of the letters may have the originals by applying to this office.

LOCAL & PERSONAL

Miss Dorothy Foley spent Sunday in Bowie visiting her father. Col. Randall spent several days in El Paso this week.

Raleigh Jacobs, son of Mrs. L. B. Jacobs, is here from Tyrone to help his mother conduct the Pure Food Bakery.

The Blue Front Store sells new parlors for \$1.25.

Grantware at 15c and 25c. Johnson & McCauley's, on the east end of Main street.

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Nat Gammon returned from El Paso Thursday. While there he secured the Buick agency for Southern Grant county.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Interrieden are spending several days in El Paso.

Deputy Sheriff Bob McCart of Silver City was here Wednesday, en route to Duncan.

M. P. Farrer, the tailor, has received his Fall line of goods. Come in early and select your suit before the Fall rush begins.

Miss Katherine Scarborough returned Tuesday from Silver City where she has been attending the Summer Normal School.

Mrs. Ida M. Lovelace left Friday for Kansas where she was called owing to the serious illness of her father.

J. B. Jernigan of Hachita was in the city Monday to accompany the remains of R. C. McMahan to Hachita for burial.

W. C. Monday of Lordsburg is a guest of his sister, Mrs. John R. Fowler, at present. — Duncan News.

For a good suit made and fitted on at home for less than mall order prices see M. P. Farrer, the tailor. American woolsens \$15 to \$25. Imports \$25 to \$40.

When you think of chocolates think of the Mint Club and Johnson's, "the appreciated chocolates." Kept on ice. Always fresh.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pattie of Clifton passed through Lordsburg Tuesday en route to the Pacific coast.

Tom Coleman, mixologist at the Clifton Bar, made an extended trip to Duncan, Solomonville, Safford and other Arizona towns last week.

Harry Martin, the Steplerock cattle man and well known Grant County banker, was a visitor here Monday, en route to his home.

The county commissioners are calling for bids for the construction of a bridge across the Gila river near old Fort West. The bids will be opened August 28.

Harry Hill has purchased a brand new Studebaker, which is expected here this week. The "auto row" is filling fast. Everybody is buying a car. Let's sing: "I didn't raise my Ford to be a Jitney."

Dr. R. E. Buvens spent several days the latter part of the week at Donna Ana and El Paso visiting relatives and friends. He returned Monday evening.

Miss Erma Springer of Clifton was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Farrer Tuesday, while en route to California to attend college at Santa Cruz.

James E. Casner of Lordsburg, N. M., also placed an order with the Elliott-Garrett Company for one of the new model Studebakers as soon as the first shipment arrives from the factory. — El Paso Times.

B. B. Ownby and Mr. and Mrs. Lew Morris went to Hurley Saturday, where Mrs. Morris will spend a short time visiting friends. Mr. Ownby and Mr. Morris returned via Silver City Monday morning.

Milk chocolates, butter scotch, fruit chocolates, and the best specimens of the candy maker's art, in Johnson's, "the appreciated chocolates." For sale by the Mint Club. Always fresh.

J. E. Allen this week purchased the Duncan Hotel from G. E. Head. He intends to convert it into a residence for his family, which he will soon move here from Lordsburg. The building is Duncan's first hostelry. — Duncan News.

Miss Ruth Carter of Silver City is spending the week in Lordsburg the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Ritter and Mr. and Mrs. Marion T. Walker. Miss Carter motored over from Silver City with Mrs. Coon and party Sunday evening.

F. S. Washburn of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clark at the 85 mine camp last week. Little Miss Clark returned to Cedar Rapids with Mr. Washburn and will spend the summer there visiting with her grandmother.

J. N. Wilkey, father of W. W. Wilkey, the well known Duncan merchant, has accepted a position as butcher of the Roberts and Leaby Mercantile Co. meat department. John Kellerman, the former butcher, has gone to Silver City, where he is employed by the Monarch Meat Market.

Some of the Lordsburg boys buy chocolates for their mothers, friends and sweethearts. They want the best. Johnson's, "the appreciated chocolates," are carried in stock by Olney and McAllister at the Mint Club and these are the chocolates they buy. Always fresh. Kept on ice. And the price is reasonable.

MEN KILLED IN TERRIFIC STORM

Well Known Hachita Citizens Killed While Walking S. P. Tracks Near Separ

A tragedy that will never be forgotten by the people of Lordsburg resulted from the most terrific rain storm ever known in southern Grant County Sunday afternoon, when Robert M. McMahan and Tom Bennett, well known citizens of Hachita, were killed by a west bound Southern Pacific freight train a few miles east of Separ.

Mr. McMahan and Mr. Bennett were coming to Lordsburg by automobile over the Borderland route from Deming when the heavy rain began. About three miles east of Separ their car became bogged in the mud. It was practically impossible to walk in the road so the two men started on foot to get aid at Separ, walking on the Southern Pacific tracks. They had not gone far when what is believed to be a cloudburst took place, blinding the men so that they could see but a few feet in front of them. During the storm they were struck by a west bound freight train. Mr. McMahan was instantly killed. Mr. Bennett's left leg was severed from his body and practically every large bone in his body broken. He died at 10 o'clock Sunday evening while on the operating table at Dr. DeMoss' hospital.

The engineer and fireman of the train state that it was impossible to see the track ahead of them during the storm and that the steam from the engine settled like a heavy fog around the cab. The conductor of the train was on the rear platform of the caboose watching the condition of the track and saw the men roll down the embankment, McMahan on the north side and Bennett on the south side of the track. Owing to the storm the signal to stop could not be given and the train went on in to Separ, where it stopped for water and backed down to where the bodies of the men lay. Mr. Bennett was taken into the caboose and rushed to Lordsburg, where every effort was used to save his life. He was conscious and told how the accident occurred. While under the anesthetic he died. A track walker was left with Mr. McMahan's body, which was brought to Lordsburg after being seen by a coroner's jury. Those empaneled on the jury were Messrs. Perry, Locklear, Stevens, Aber and Ownby. The verdict was that "the deceased men came to their death July 25 by being struck by engine 2725 about 2 miles east of Separ, during a heavy rain and wind storm, while walking on the track to Separ."

The jury went to the scene of the accident on an east bound freight train. The body of Mr. Bennett was shipped to San Antonio, Texas, for burial. Mr. Bennett having a sister and other relatives in that city. Mr. McMahan's body was sent to Hachita for burial Monday afternoon. He is survived by a daughter and two grown sons.

Both men were well known in Lordsburg and all of southern Grant county, where they had lived for many years. Mr. Bennett had been most successfully engaged in cattle raising near Hachita, and was one of that city's most progressive citizens. Mr. McMahan had been engaged in the liquor business for many years, but recently disposed of his business and invested in cattle, together with Mr. Bennett. He was once a resident of Lordsburg, being employed by J. S. Brown. At the time of their death Mr. McMahan was about 65 years of age and Mr. Bennett about 45 years of age.

The many friends of both families extend deepest sympathy to them in their sad bereavement.

LORDSBURG MINES RECEIVE MUCH ADVERTISING
The past week has been one in which much valuable publicity has been obtained for the Lordsburg mining regions. The Engineering and Mining Journal and the Mining and Engineering World contained extensive accounts of the entrance of the A. & N. M. spur into the district and told of progress in general in the Pyramid, Virginia and Hachita districts. The Daily Mining Record of Denver and the Santa Fe Eagle contained general boosting articles for the camp. The mining material was sent out from the office of the Western Liberal.

The Cobre Negra group of patented mining claims adjoining the 85 Mining Company's claims on the southwest, have been taken under option from the Sanguanahua Copper Company by F. V. Bush. Development work will be done on the property and an effort made to unwater the three hundred foot shaft. Eastern parties are interested in the new work.

COOKED FOOD SALE

Saturday afternoon at the Brown Brothers' ice cream parlor the ladies of the Methodist Church will hold a cooked food sale. There will be an abundance of some of Lordsburg's best cooking and a large quantity of ice cream.

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